

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

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As first seen in Fig. 1 the belt drive, air cooled outboard engine assembly 10 is mounted to a small flat bottom boat 12 in the conventional manner on the hull's center line as seen in Fig. 2. As may be seen in Fig. 3 the engine assembly 10 is steerable and throttle operated in much the same manner as a water-cooled outboard engine. The air-cooled engine 14 is vertically mounted with a horizontal shaft 16 seen in Fig. 7 and is structurally supported and enclosed in a cowling 18 having adequate ventilation louvers to allow for engine cooling as illustrated in Fig. 4. However, in some cases the cowling may be removed for greater cooling capability. The engine assembly 10 is pivotal in a kick-up position in the horizontal plane as well as the vertical plane in the typical outboard mounting arrangement as illustrated in Fig. 5. The engine belt drive assembly 10 to which the air-cooled utility engine is closely attached is enclosed in a water tight housing 22 seen in Fig. 6 and exposed in Fig. 7. The housing is fitted with a removable cover 24. The drive housing 22 is adjustable attached to the transom in a manner whereby the drive housing extends only to a point approximately flush with the keel or bottom of the boat as seen in Fig. 4. The drive housing 22 further houses the lower propeller shaft assembly 26, and includes the output propeller shaft 28, its timing belt type driven pulley 30 and shaft support bearings 48, shown in Fig. 9, a timing belt type drive pulley 32 and timing belt 34 as seen in Fig. 7. A propeller 36 seen in Fig. 6 designed generally used specifically for

mud and marsh operation is fitted to the drive shaft **28** and secured thereto in the usual manner by key or pin, threaded nut **38** and retainers.